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Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire
Chief Clerk & Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Application of CenturyTel Broadband Services, LLC ("CTBS") for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Competing Local Exchange, Exchange Access and Interexchange Telecommunications Services in the State of Carolina, and for Alternative and Flexible Regulation
Docket No. 2021-336-C


Dear Ms. Boyd,

The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") has reviewed the Application of CenturyTel Broadband Services, LLC, (the "Company") and believes that the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") granting the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") requested is consistent with the public interest.

ORS reviewed the Company's application and filings to assess the Company's financial, technical and managerial resources. Based on these reviews, ORS has concluded that the Company possesses the resources needed to provide the services requested and that the Company's request for a CPCN is consistent with the public interest. *See* S.C. Code § 58-9-280.

ORS does not intend to attend the hearing scheduled in this matter. Thank you for your consideration regarding this matter.

Sincerely,


Donna L. Rhaney

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